who on examination thereof shall cause the date of such commission and CHAP. the name of the person producing the same to be registered on their proceedings, and may if they think it expedient give a licence to such commissary-general, quarter-master-general, or either of their deputies, to purchase and act within this state; and the governor and council are hereby requested to transmit to the clerks of the several counties a list of the names of all persons by them licensed as aforesaid, which said list shall be deposited among the records of each county, and also publish the names of all the continental agents by them licensed as aforesaid in the Baltimore and Annapolis Gazettes, that the same may be known to the inhabitants of this state; and any person or persons whatever, presuming to act as commissary-general, quarter-master-general, or deputy to either, within this state, without such licence, shall and may be arrested, by order of the committee of each county hereafter appointed, and committed to gaol, there to remain until such offender will give sufficient security for his good behaviour in the premises for the future, or obtain such licence as aforesaid, any law, usage, or custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.

XXVI and, Whereas the salutary laws heretofore made to prevent punishing forestalling and engrossing, and other purposes therein mentioned, have not been duly executed, by means whereof, and by the evil practices of speculators, our currency hath been depreciated, and the state brought into danger of bankruptcy and total destruction; for remedy whereof it is thought necessary to institute committees in each county of this state:

XXVII. 25e it therefore enasted, That James Jordan, John Reeder, Rames of the William Hermsly, Woolfred Neal, Robert Armstrong, James Roach, men. and William Thomas, shall be and are hereby constituted a committee in Saint Mary's county; that Joseph Nicholson, William Granger, John Moore, John Rolph, senior, Charles Groome, Isaac Freeman, and Thomas Vandyke, shall be and are hereby constituted a committee in Kent county; that Thomas Watkins, William Brogden, Joseph Meriken, Rezin Hammond, John Brice, Richard Stringer, and Michael Pue, shall be and are hereby constituted a committee in Anne-Arundel county; that Alexander Somerville, doctor Edward Johnson, Joseph Blake, James Weems, junior, William Lyles, Samuel Hance, and Edmund Clare, shall be and are hereby constituted a committee in Calvert county; that Gerard Fowke, Thomas Sims, Theophilus Hanson, Gerard Blackiston Causeen, Benjamin Fendall, Theophilus Yeates, and captain William Macpherson, shall be and are hereby constituted a committee in Charles county; that John Winder, Thomas Hayward; John Dashiell, Richard Waters, senior, Ephraim Stevens, George Dashiell, and Thomas King, shall be and are hereby constituted a committee in Somerset county; that John Bracco, Peregrine Tilghman, Henry Banning, Samuel Chamberlaine, Thomas Gordon, Samuel Thomas, and Lloyd Tilghman, shall be and are hereby constituted a committee in Talbot county; that Henry Hollingsworth, Patrick Ewing, Edward Parker, Benjamin Brevard, David Mackey, Jeremiah Baker, and David Smith, shall be and are hereby constituted a committee in Cæcil county; that Barthelomew Ennalls, John Goldsborough, colonel Joseph Ennalls, Thomas Ennalls (Blackwater), Daniel Sulivane, Joseph Daffin, and John Anderson, shall be and are hereby constituted a committee